Setting up of Bio-Technology Centre in Uttar Pradesh

1451. KUMARI ALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up Bio-Technology Centres in Uttar Pradesh during the 8th Five Year Plan Period;

(b) if so, the location thereof and whether the Centre is proposed to be set up at Faizabad for research in Biotechnology; and

(c) the details of assistance to be provided during 1990-91; and also during the 8th Five Year Plan to the Government of Uttar Pradesh for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) At present, there is no proposal for Government of India to set up a Biotechnology Centre in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Cleaning of rivers in Uttar Pradesh

1452. KUMARI ALIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the rivers in Uttar Pradesh and their tributaries;

(b) whether Government have prepared any action plan for cleaning all the river, in the state;

(c) if so, whether some financial assistance has been sought for from the World Bank and Asian Development Bank; and

(d) the details of the financial assistance likely to be provided to the Uttar Pradesh Government for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) The major river in Uttar Pradesh is the Ganga. The other rivers are either tributaries of the Ganga, or they join these tributaries. Amongst them are the:

1. Alakananda
2. Bhagirathi
3. Nandakini
4. Mandakani
5. Pindar
6. Dhauliganga
7. Bhilangana
8. Yamuna
9. Sind
10. Betwa
11. Hindon
12. Ken
13. Chambal
14. Ramganga
15. Deoha
16. Kosi
17. Gomti
18. Ghaghra
19. Rapti
20. Buri Rapti
21. Sarju
22. Sarda
23. Babal
24. Karamnasa
25. Sone
26. Rihand
27. Tons
28. Kali Nadi

(a) No, Sir. However, 107 schemes have been sanctioned for pollution abatement on the mainstream of the River Ganga in Uttar Pradesh.

(c) World Bank credit is available for the Sewage Treatment Plants under implementation at Kanpur, Allahabad and Hardwar and for the purchase of pollution control equipment.

(d) The 107 schemes approved for the mainstream of the Ganga in Uttar Pradesh have been at resent sanctioned for an outlay of Rs. 126.54 crores.